While her professional accomplishments were extraordinary, I think what most of us will remember about Meg is her always cheerful smile, her infectious laughter, her enthusiasm for life, and her endless energy. Meg was one of those rare people who brought warmth, laughter and joy to so many lives.

I know all of our hearts go out to Meg's husband, her three children, and to all her family.

IN SUPPORT OF INCREASED FUND-ING FOR THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT

HON. MARION BERRY

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 1998

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of programs funded through the Older Americans Act including congregate meals, home delivered meals and supportive services. These programs are of vital importance to the First Congressional District of Arkansas.

In the ten county area of North Central Arkansas over 100 persons are on the Home Delivered Meal waiting list due to a lack of federal funding. Furthermore, because of a lack of funds, two County Aging Programs consisting of 15 Senior Centers now operate only four days per week.

The Older Americans Act has not received substantial increases in almost a decade—local Senior Centers now have to do fund-raising to provide at least 30 percent of their budgets. Local communities, particularly those in rural areas, can only generate a small portion of the funding needed.

With the expected rise in the older population, the demand for services is expected to double over the next 15 years. An increase in federal funding is urgently needed.

I urge my colleagues to support an 8 percent increase to support the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act contained in H.R. 4344.

OLDEST YEAR-ROUND SCHOOL CELEBRATES 30TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 1998

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Park Elementary School in Hayward, California, the oldest year-round school in the nation. Over three decades ago, two elementary school principals, Mr. Barney Moura and Dr. Dan Foster, proposed the idea of an all year-round school schedule. In 1968, Park adopted the first single-trick, 200-day school calendar under provisions of a special seven year pilot program approved by the California State Legislature.

Now celebrating its 30th anniversary as a year-round school, Park Elementary has provided a wealth of research and experience to corroborate the original goals of the program. Currently, almost 2 million students in 41 states attend year-round schools and I am proud that Park Elementary has led the way.

Park Elementary not only deserves recognition as the original pioneer for year-round school, but it should also be acknowledged as the working model for success. Recent studies have demonstrated that student achievement is significantly higher at schools with a single track schedule than their nine-month counterparts.

On November 6, Principal Jeanne Duarte-Armas will join with students and faculty, along with representatives from the Hayward Unified School District, to celebrate Park School's 30th anniversary with an afternoon picnic. I extend my hearty congratulations on their accomplishments and offer my best wishes for continued success. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join in honoring those who have helped Park Elementary School reach its 30th year of achievement and excellence.

IN HONOR OF RUSSELL L. HANLIN

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 1998

Mr. GALLEGLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Russell L. Hanlin, a man who has had an enormous impact on America's agricultural industry during his illustrious 48-year career. Not only has he been the consummate businessman, but he has served three presidents—and his countrymen—as well.

Mr. Hanlin is retiring soon as President and Chief Executive Officer of Sunkist Growers, Inc., an agricultural marketing cooperative representing more than 6,500 citrus growers in California and Arizona, many of which operate in my home, Ventura County. Mr. Hanlin is the epitome of the American dream, and proof that hard work and perseverance in this great land will carry anyone to the pinnacle they seek. He started with Sunkist as a clerk in 1951. Over the years, he served in several capacities before earning an appointment as a Corporate officer. After serving six years as Vice President of the Producers Group, he was elected President and CEO in 1978.

President Bush appointed Mr. Hanlin to the President's Commission on Executive Exchange. Presidents Carter and Reagan both appointed him to the President's Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations, an appointment he held from 1978 to 1984. President Reagan also appointed Mr. Hanlin to the President's Export Council, a post he held for five years.

In 1990, Mr. Hanlin was inducted into the World Trade Hall of Fame.

Mr. Hanlin is past Chairman of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives. He is a member of the Agricultural Task Force on Japan-U.S. Economic Relations, a member of the U.S./Hong Kong Economic Cooperation Committee, a member of the Board of Directors of the California Chamber of Commerce, and Chairman of the Chamber's Agricultural Committee. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Woodbury University, Chairman of the United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association, and Chairman of the Japan America Society of Southern California. In 1996, he was Chairman of World Trade Week.

Mr. Hanlin has won several awards, ranging from the Good Scout Award from the Western Los Angeles County Council, Boy Scouts of America; to the Maple Leaf Award from the Canada-California Chamber of Commerce,

which he earned for promoting understanding between the United States and Canada.

Mr. Hanlin and his wife, Norma, live in Pasadena, California. They have been blessed with three children.

Mr. Speaker, I know my colleagues will join me in thanking Mr. Hanlin for his many years of promoting and nurturing America's agricultural industry and wish him well in any future endeavors.

A TRIBUTE TO WALDO PROFITT

HON. DAN MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 1998

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, for 37 years, the people of Sarasota, Florida have been lucky to have Waldo Profitt Jr. as Editorial Page Editor of the Sarasota Herald-Tribune. Waldo provided great journalism with unquestioned integrity and commitment to community service.

Waldo Profitt recently retired from the Herald-Tribune. His reporting and commentary on the social, fiscal, political and public environment of Sarasota County during its fast-paced growth years are a tribute to the finest qualities of a first-class journalist. Waldo was on the front lines on many issues and he never failed to thoroughly investigate, and then critically comment, on what this meant in the big picture.

Long before the mainstream environmental movement, Waldo Profitt educated his readers that environmental protection, resource conservation and local responsibility for community resources were crucial to the preservation of Florida's quality of life and to the State's long-term economic viability and vitality. He emphasized that environmental protection was not about hugging trees, but enhancing and protecting our future.

Anyone in public life would appreciate Waldo's approach to his craft, which rejected attack journalism and recognized that "today's opponent may be tomorrow's ally." His colleagues pay him a high compliment when they say that he taught them that successful journalists need not be mean or unpatriotic. Even those who disagreed with him philosophically, will honestly say, that Waldo "wrote with integrity" and that he was "incisive, fair and balanced."

One of my proudest moments in Congress was when Waldo wrote, "I've been underestimating Dan Miller." Let me tell you, NO ONE has ever underestimated Waldo's ability to quickly humble any public servant in Southwest, Florida. So, his words meant a great deal to me.

For Waldo Profitt, Jr., professional integrity and decency were watchwords. It is a fitting time for us to recognize those qualities in his career and to salute a gentleman who served his country in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. But I want to especially honor Waldo for always taking the courageous path of the highest standards in his chosen field—journalism. My hat goes off to him.